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1. ON JANUARY 10 I PASSED ON TO MFA PERMANENT UNDER SECRETARY EIGIL JORGENSEN GIST OF REF A, TO THE EFFECT THAT WE ARE DESIROUS OF AVOIDING TAKING SIDES ON INTERNAL EC SPLIT OVER IMPACT ON CYPRUS OF CURRENT TRADE PROPOSALS. I THEN WENT OVER SOME OF THE INFORMATION RECEIVED FROM EMBASSY NICOSIA.

2. JORGENSEN CONFIRMED THAT MINISTER OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY PERIDES HAD CALLED ON FOREIGN MINISTER ANDERSEN JANUARY 9 AND HAD LOBBIED ALONG LINES REPORTED BY EMBASSY NICOSIA. JORGENSEN SAID THAT FOREIGN MINISTER K. B. ANDERSEN WAS SYMPATHETIC TO THE CYPRUS COMPLAINT AND INDICATED THAT DENMARK WOULD BE WILLING TO SPEAK UP AT THE EC FOREIGN MINISTERS MEETING JANUARY 17 TO GRANT MORE GENEROUS TERMS TO CYPRUS. JORGENSEN SAID THAT UK HAS SAME POSITION AS DENMARK, BUT THAT ON BASIS SOUNDINGS ALREADY
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TAKEN BY THE DANES, FRENCH AND PRIMARILY ITALIANS ARE OPPOSED TO CHANGING THE PRESENT EC INTERIM PROPOSALS. I WAS TOLD THAT BENELUX COUNTRIES AND GERMANY HAVE NOT YET TAKEN SIDES, BUT IN ANY CASE THIS MATTER WILL BE DISCUSSED AT THE JAN 17 EC MINISTERS MEETING.

3. DANISH SUPPORT FOR CYPRUS POSITION IS BASED ON POLITICAL

CONSIDERATIONS, BUT THEN JORGENSEN ADMITTED THAT CYPRUS AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS DO NOT COMPETE WITH DANISH EXPORTS.

4. I EXPECT TO RECEIVE FURTHER READOUT FROM MFA PERMANENT UNDER SECRETARY FOR ECONOMIC AFFAIRS LATER THIS WEEK.
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